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## Federal Opportunities

**Emergency Capital Repair Grants for Multifamily Housing Projects Designated for Occupancy by the Elderly.** *Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)* announces funds to make emergency capital repairs to eligible multifamily projects designated for occupancy by elderly tenants. The capital repair needs must relate to items that present an immediate threat to the health, safety, and quality of life of the tenants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit owners of eligible multifamily assisted housing developments designated for occupancy by elderly tenants. Approximately \$10 million is available to make awards of up to \$500,000 each. For further information, contact Aretha Williams, Director, Grant Policy and Management Division, Office of Housing, HUD, at (202) 708-3000; or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-27534.htm>.

## District Opportunities

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, click on District Grants Clearinghouse.

*The Department of Health (DOH)/Primary Care and Prevention Administration (PCPA), Preventive*

*Health and Health Services Block Grant for FY05, December 22, 2004, at 4:45 p.m.*

*The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, December 30, 2004.*

*The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities (CAH), Folk & Traditional Arts Mini Grants, January 6 and April 7, 2005.*

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Small Projects Program (SPP), March 3 and June 2, 2005.*

*The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.*

## Foundation Opportunities

**DC Community.** *The Meyer Foundation* supports programs in the following areas: arts, heritage, and culture; community service; education; health and mental health; law and justice; neighborhood development and housing; Management Assistance; and Nonprofit Sector Leadership. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations in DC and parts of the Washington metropolitan area. The deadlines for Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) are February 11, June 10, and October 3, 2005. For further information, go to: <http://www.meyerfoundation.org/index.htm>.

**Golf Programs for Youth and the Disabled.** *The United States Golf Association Foundation* supports organizations that introduce the game to people who would otherwise not have the opportunity, specifically economically disadvantaged youth and individuals with disabilities. Grants are directed to

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instructional programs, caddie or other work-based curriculums, and the construction of facilities that make the game more affordable and accessible. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, government entities, and public schools. The deadline for applications is January 18, 2005. For further information, go to:  
<http://www.usga.org/grants/index.html>.

**Health and Quality of Care.** *The Aetna Foundation* helps build healthy communities by encouraging volunteerism and funding initiatives that improve the quality of life where its employees and customers work and live. Funding areas include: quality of care, diversity, regional community health grants, and other grants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. To join the Foundation's mailing list regarding news and updates about current funding opportunities and programs, go to:  
[https://www.grantrequest.com/SID\\_264/Default.asp?CT=CT&SA=SNA&FID=35035](https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_264/Default.asp?CT=CT&SA=SNA&FID=35035). For further information on the Foundation, go to:  
<http://www.aetna.com/foundation/index.htm>.

**Healthy Lifestyle for Youth.** *The National 4-H Council's* Healthy Lifestyles Grants support educational programs and public awareness that confront the climbing trends of obesity. Grants are made to develop or expand innovative and fun community-based programs that partner youth ages 5-12 with adults in order to reverse the trends of obesity through outreach efforts, educational programming and content. Programs requesting funding should include information on nutrition, physical activity, and healthy lifestyle choices. Eligible applicants include 4-H and Cooperative Extension organizations. The deadline for applications is January 14, 2005. Grants of \$7,500 are available. For further information, go to:  
<http://www.fourhcouncil.edu/pGrntHealthyLS.aspx>.

**Literacy.** *The Dollar General Literacy Foundation* supports organizations committed to increasing the functional literacy of adults or families that provide direct literacy services within their community. Eligible applicants include nonprofits within the Dollar General market area. The deadline for applicants is April 8, 2005. Request for Proposals (RFPs) packages will be available online January 7, 2005. For further information, go to:

<http://www.dollargeneral.com/community/dgliteracy.aspx>.

**Museum Loans.** *The Museum Loan Network (MLN)* enables museums to better serve their communities by making art and cultural heritage objects more accessible to U.S. institutions. MLN facilitates and funds the development of long-term programming and the loan of art and cultural heritage objects through travel and survey grants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and government agencies. The deadline for Letters of Intent (LOIs) is February 18, 2005; the deadline for applications is March 18, 2005. For further information, go to:  
<http://loanet.mit.edu/>.

## Resources & Announcements

**DC Education Blog.** *The DC Education Blog*, a weblog dedicated to covering the local education scene, posts editorials about current news and events affecting schools in the District of Columbia. For further information, go to:  
[www.dcedublog.blogspot.com](http://www.dcedublog.blogspot.com).

**Education and the Internet.** *WWWEDU* (pronounced 'we do') is the Internet's largest and longest-running forum on the use of the World Wide Web in education. For further information, go to:  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/wwwedu/>. To subscribe, email [wwwedu-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:wwwedu-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

**Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

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## **Inside Washington Grantmakers' Giving Report: Foundation Trends in the Washington Region.**

*The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* will host an information session on the size, scope, and priorities of the region's foundations. Katherine Jankowski, research director for the foundation section of the Washington Grantmakers' *2004 Region of Givers Report*, will lead this in-depth workshop on foundation movers and shakers in the Washington area. She will identify leaders, highlight foundations that have increased giving in recent years, and provide details on the more than \$542.5 million that foundations gave to nonprofit organizations in 2003. Attendees will receive a list of the Top 100 Foundations headquartered in the region. This session will take place on January 11, 2005, 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m., at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Room 1114 South, Washington, DC 20001. This event is free, but space is limited. To register by January 7, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900 or [faith.jones@dc.gov](mailto:faith.jones@dc.gov).

## **Interns for Grassroots Environmental Groups.**

*The Environmental Careers Organization's (ECO)* Community Intern Program provides an opportunity for college or university students to intern directly with community organizations and experience environmental issues at a grassroots level. Eligible applicants include community organizations focused on addressing the environmental and/or public health problems of the residents of the affected community. The deadline for applications to request an intern is January 31, 2005. For further information, go to: <http://www.eco.org/epa/Communityinternprogram/main.html>.

**Nonprofit Accountability Update.** *OMB Watch* provides an update on the increased scrutiny of the nonprofit sector, including: the work of the Panel on the Nonprofit Sector, which is working to improve the governance, ethical conduct, and oversight of nonprofits; the creation of a Citizen Advisory Group, a nine member group that will advise the Panel on the Nonprofit Sector; and the National Council of Nonprofit Associations' chart of pending bills and proposals to change nonprofit governance in the states. For further information, go to: [www.ombwatch.org/article/articleview/2573/1/306](http://www.ombwatch.org/article/articleview/2573/1/306).

**Online Fundraising Tool.** *TouchDC.org*, a web-based initiative of Washington Grantmakers, is a free online resource created to make it easy for donors to support local nonprofits serving the metropolitan Washington area. Through its website and media campaign, TouchDC.org continues to educate the community on the vital role area nonprofits play in all our lives, as well as to provide a safe and convenient way for individuals to support these organizations – through financial gifts or volunteer time. For further information on how to join this campaign, go to: <http://www.touchdc.org/>, select For Nonprofits.

**Supportive Housing.** *The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation* and eight other national philanthropic, nonprofit and financial organizations are forming a partnership to stimulate an effort to end long-term homelessness. The Partnership to End Long-Term Homelessness will dedicate more than \$37 million in grants and loans to the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH), the National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH), and other groups. Simultaneously, a new report prepared by The Lewin Group presents data from nine cities across the country. The report demonstrates that "supportive housing" can be a cost-effective solution to the problem of long-term homelessness. <http://www.rwjf.org/news/special/cshIntro.jhtml>.

**Technology Presentations Available.** *NPower Greater DC Region* staff members give presentations throughout the nonprofit community aimed at sharing knowledge and raising awareness related to the technology field. Some topics include fundraising, free tools, and how to operate on a shoestring budget. These presentations are available at: <http://www.npowergdc.org/resources/npowerpresentations.htm>.

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